

**THE  
PROTECTION ORDER  
REGISTRY**



*Law Enforcement Reference Guide*

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TO LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL:

As you may be aware, the Protection Order Registry has been operational since July 26, 2002. Since then, all *protective, restraining, and standing criminal restraining orders* are being entered in the Registry on the date of issuance and subsequently available to you through COLLECT's File 20. File 20 also includes certain pretrial and probationary *no contact orders* as well as *no contact orders* from the Board of Parole, the Department of Correction, and the Psychiatric Security Review Board.

Information from the Registry is also available to you through COLLECT's automated messaging system. This system provides instant notification to those law enforcement agencies designated by law to receive such information whenever an order is issued, modified, or terminated. In addition, over the next few months these law enforcement agencies will begin to receive instant faxed copies of protective and restraining orders. This fax component enhances recent legislation that eliminated the requirement to "send certified copies" to designated law enforcement agencies.

Since the Registry's implementation, many questions have been raised through the Registry's multi-agency Steering Committee, through focus groups and presentations with COLLECT users, and through direct inquiries from state and local law enforcement personnel. In an attempt to answer many of these questions and provide a quick reference guide for the enforcement of orders of protection, the following information is included in this booklet: a list of frequently-asked questions with brief answers, a chart of Connecticut protection orders with pertinent statutory citations, a list of court telephone numbers with corresponding docket prefixes, and a table of standard condition codes used in COLLECT and NCIC.

I hope you find this information to be useful. Nonetheless, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

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## QUESTIONS FREQUENTLY ASKED BY POLICE



### WHAT IS THE PROTECTION ORDER REGISTRY?

The Protection Order Registry is an automated repository designed to enhance the safety of protected persons by providing current and accurate information from all orders of protection to the courts and the criminal justice community.

### HOW DO POLICE ACCESS INFORMATION IN THE REGISTRY?

Police access Registry information through COLLECT and NCIC.

### WHAT INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE IN COLLECT?

- Demographics and address information on both the Subject and the Protected Party.
- Order type, effective date, expiration date, and originating agency.
- All conditions including custody conditions.
- Police departments (*ORIs*) where copies of the order were sent.
- A statement concerning alleged firearms possession.
- *Brady Indicator* stating whether Federal firearms prohibition applies.

### WHAT OTHER INFORMATION WILL POLICE RECEIVE?

- As soon as an order is entered in the Registry, designated police departments will receive an electronic FACSIMILE of the order and a corresponding COLLECT MESSAGE.
- As soon as an order is terminated in the Registry, designated police departments will receive an electronic notice of termination and a corresponding COLLECT MESSAGE.

## **WHAT TYPES OF ORDERS WILL BE CONTAINED IN THE REGISTRY?**

- *Restraining, Protective, and Standing Criminal Restraining Orders;*
- *No Contact Orders* imposed by Connecticut courts;
- *Foreign Orders* registered with Connecticut courts;
- *No Contact Orders* imposed by community supervision agencies;
  - Adult Probation
  - The Bail Commission
  - The Board of Parole
  - The Department of Correction
  - The Psychiatric Security Review Board.

(Each agency will maintain its respective orders in the Registry)

## **WHAT ARE THE MAJOR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN A PROTECTIVE ORDER AND A RESTRAINING ORDER?**

### ***PROTECTIVE ORDERS***

- Issued by the Criminal Courts.
- Terminate when the court disposes of the underlying criminal case.
- Violation of a Protective Order is a class D felony (C.G.S. § 53a-223, amended by P.A. 02-127(3)).
- Notice of the order is provided to the defendant at court.

### ***RESTRAINING ORDERS***

- Issued by the Family Division of the Civil Courts.
- Terminate in 14 days (*Ex Parte*), or 6 months (*After Hearing*), unless modified or extended by the Court.
- Criminal Violation of a Restraining Order is a class A misdemeanor (P.A. 02-127(1)).
- Notice of hearing is required not less than five (5) days prior to the hearing date.

## **WILL THE FAXED COPY OF THE ORDER BE SIGNED BY A JUDGE?**

No, the faxed copy is generated by a computer upon issuance of the order by a judge. Public Act 02-132 eliminated the mandate that court clerks send “certified copies” to the designated police departments.

### **WHEN WILL AN ORDER BE FAXED?**

Orders are entered in the Registry Monday through Friday, generally between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. As soon as an order is entered, the Registry automatically faxes the order to the designated law enforcement agencies. If any fax transmission is unsuccessful after three attempts, the Registry will prompt the clerk to take further action.

### **WHEN WILL COLLECT MESSAGES BE TRANSMITTED?**

If your department has been designated to receive notification, you will receive a COLLECT message whenever an order is entered, terminated, or modified in the Registry. Therefore you may receive multiple messages for the same case because the order has been modified or corrected. As always, only the active order is displayed in File 20.

### **HOW WILL I KNOW WHICH COURT ISSUED THE ORDER?**

The issuing court's alphanumeric code is contained in the docket number. Refer to the "CASE-#" field in COLLECT's File 20 to see the docket number (*see the table of alphanumeric court codes with corresponding telephone numbers below*).

### **DO I STILL NEED TO CHECK COLLECT'S FLJO PROTECTIVE ORDER FILE?**

Yes. File 20 contains all active *protective, restraining* and *standing criminal restraining orders* issued after July 26, 2002. FLJO may provide some information on active *protective orders* issued before this date.

### **HOW IS THE SPECIAL LICENSING AND FIREARMS UNIT NOTIFIED?**

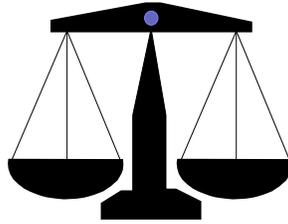
As soon as the court clerk enters an order in the Registry, the information is transmitted to the Department of Public Safety's Special Licensing and Firearms Unit.



## QUICK REFERENCE CHART FOR CONNECTICUT ORDERS OF PROTECTION

Order Type	Jurisdiction/Authority	Duration	Service Notification	Police Action
Restraining ( <i>Ex Parte</i> )	Civil Family Court C.G.S. § 46b-15(b)	14 days	Service required not less than five days prior to the hearing	Criminal Violation of a Restraining Order (P.A. 02-127(1))
Restraining ( <i>After Hearing</i> )	Civil Family CT C.G.S § 46b-15(d)	6 months, court may extend	Notice required	Criminal Violation of a Restraining Order (P.A. 02-127(1))
Protective Order ( <i>Family Violence, Stalking</i> )	Criminal Court C.G.S §§ 46b-38c, 54-1k	Duration of the case	Notice	Violation of Protective Order C.G.S. § 53a-223 (Amended by P.A. 02-127(3))
Witness Protection Restraining Order	Criminal Court C.G.S. § 54-82q	10 Days	None	Contact State's Attorney
Witness Protection Protective Order	Criminal Court C.G.S. § 54-82r	Duration of the case	Notice required	Violation of Protective Order C.G.S. § 53a-223 (Amended by P.A. 02-127(3))
Standing Criminal Restraining Order	Criminal Court C.G.S. § 53a-40e	Non-expiring	Present during court proceeding	Violation of Standing Criminal Restraining Order C.G.S § 53a-223a
Foreign Order	Civil/Family Court C.G.S. § 46b-15a	Defined by issuing state	Notice required	Criminal Violation of a Restraining Order (P.A. 02-127(1)) 18 U.S.C.A. § 2265 (2000)
Bail Unilateral No Contact	Bail Commission C.G.S. § 54-63d(c)	Valid until first court date	Notified by Bail at time of release	Violation of Conditions of Release C.G.S. § 53a-222
Court Ordered No Contact	Criminal Court C.G.S. § 54-64a(c)	Duration of the case	Notified by Court at time of release	Violation of Conditions of Release C.G.S. § 53a-222
No Contact	Probation, Bail, Parole, Corrections, Psychiatric Security Review Board	Determined by issuing authority	Notified by issuing authority	Contact issuing authority





## COURT INFORMATION

Prefix	Superior Court	Phone	Prefix	Superior Court	Phone
DBD	Danbury J.D.	203-207-8600	HHD	Hartford J.D.	860-548-2700
FBT	Fairfield J.D.	203-579-6527	LLI	Litchfield J.D.	860-567-0885
S01S	G.A. 01 Stamford	203-965-5208	NNI	Meriden J.D.	203-238-6666
F02B	G.A. 02 Bridgeport	203-579-6527	MMX	Middlesex J.D.	860-343-6400
D03D	G.A. 03 Danbury	203-207-8600	AAN	Milford J.D.	203-877-4293
U04C	Waterbury Community	203-236-8100	HHB	New Britain J.D.	860-515-5180
U04W	G.A. 04 Waterbury	203-236-8100	NNH	New Haven J.D.	203-503-6800
A05D	G.A. 05 Derby	203-735-7438	KNL	New London J.D.	860-443-5363
N06N	G.A. 06 (Now G.A. 23)	203-789-7461	KNO	Norwich J.D.	860-887-3515
N07M	G.A. 07 Meriden	203-238-3130	WWM	Putnam J.D.	860-928-7749
N08W	G.A. 08 (Now G.A. 23)	203-789-7461	FST	Stamford J.D.	203-965-5307
M09M	G.A. 09 Middletown	860-343-6445	TTD	Tolland J.D.	860-896-4920
K10K	G.A. 10 New London	860-443-8343	UWY	Waterbury J.D.	203-596-4023
W11D	G.A. 11 Danielson	860-779-8480			
H12M	G.A. 12 Manchester	860-647-1091			
H13W	G.A. 13 Enfield	860-741-3727			
H14C	Hartford Community	860-566-1630			
H14H	G.A. 14 Hartford	860-566-1630			
H15N	G.A. 15 New Britain	860-515-5080			
H16W	G.A. 16 (Now G.A. 14)	860-566-1630			
H17B	G.A. 17 Bristol	860-582-8111			
L18W	G.A. 18 Bantam	860-567-3942			
T19R	G.A. 19 Rockville	860-870-3200			
S20N	G.A. 20 Norwalk	203-847-3861			
K21N	G.A. 21 Norwich	860-889-7338			
A22M	G.A. 22 Milford	203-874-1116			
N23N	G.A. 23 New Haven	203-589-7461			

**STANDARD CONDITION CODES  
FOR COLLECT'S FILE 20 AND NCIC'S  
PROTECTION ORDER FILE**

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**P**     *PROTECTIVE ORDER*

- P1     Refrain from imposing any restraint upon the person or liberty of the [Protected Party].
- P2     Refrain from threatening, harassing, **stalking**, assaulting, molesting, or sexually assaulting the [Protected Party].
- P3     Refrain from entering the family dwelling, the dwelling of the [Protected Party], **or wherever the [Protected Party] shall reside.**
- P4     [Subject] may return to the dwelling one time with police to retrieve belongings.
- P5     Refrain from having any contact in any manner with the [Protected Party].
- P6     Refrain from stalking the [Protected Party]. **(included in P2 after 1/1/03)**
- P7     Refrain from coming within 100 yards of the [Protected Party].
- P8     Refrain from entering the [Protected Party's] place of employment.
- P9     This order extends to the [Protected Party's] minor children.
- P10    Further Order (free text).

**R/V**   *RESTRAINING ORDER (Ex Parte and After Hearing)*

- R1     Refrain from imposing any restraint upon the person or liberty of the [Protected Party].
- R2     Refrain from threatening, harassing, assaulting, molesting, or sexually assaulting the [Protected Party].
- R3     Refrain from entering the family dwelling or the dwelling of the [Protected Party].
- R4     [Subject] may return to the dwelling one time with police to retrieve belongings.
- R5     Refrain from having any contact in any manner with the [Protected Party].
- R6     Refrain from stalking the [Protected Party].
- R7     Refrain from coming within 100 yards of the [Protected Party].
- R8     Refrain from entering the [Protected Party's] place of employment.
- R9     Stay away from children's school/daycare.
- R10    This order extends to the [Protected Party's] minor children.
- R11    This order extends to other persons (free text).
- R12    Temporary custody of the following children awarded (free text).
- V1     With visitation as follows (free text).
- V2     Without visitation rights to the [Subject].
- R13    Further Order (free text).

## **COLLABORATING AGENCIES**

**Board of Parole**

**Connecticut Police Chiefs Association**

**Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence**

**Department of Correction**

**Department of Public Safety**

**Judicial Branch**

**Office of the Chief State's Attorney**

**Office of Policy and Management**

**Psychiatric Security Review Board**

## **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

- COLLECT Unit, Department of Public Safety.
- Special Licensing and Firearms Unit, Department of Public Safety.
- Connecticut Police Chiefs Association.
- South Central Criminal Justice Consortium.
- East Haven, New Haven, North Haven, Wallingford, and Wethersfield Police Departments.
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